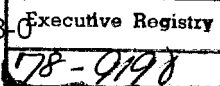


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Honorable Birch Bayh, Chairman
Select Committee on Intelligence
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Thank you for providing me a copy of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence study "The Quality and Utility of U.S. Intelligence concerning China." The study is under review by the appropriate Intelligence Community components. As posed in your letter, I have also asked them to consider whether it is feasible to release a brief, unclassified version to the public. I will forward our comments to you when this review is completed.

In line with my previous stands on limiting access to sensitive studies such as this, I am pleased that this highly sensitive document will not be distributed widely throughout the Executive Branch.

Yours sincerely,

/s/ Stansfield Turner

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1. DDCI		26 MAY 1978	[Signature]	<p>Attached for your signature is an interim response to Chairman Birch Bayh on his request for comments on their study "The Quality and Utility of U.S. Intelligence Concerning China." The NIO for China is undertaking the task of getting inputs and preparing a Community response. With the Committee's approval a new date of 26 June 1978 has been set for a final response.</p> <p>In contrast to the oil study where the Committee distributed 23 copies throughout the Executive Branch, this copy is the only copy not in the possession of the Committee. A member of my staff who has been in touch with Staff Director Bill Miller has been advised that the revised version will be tightly held and [Redacted] plans at this time to distribute them to you, NSA, DIA, INR of State, Secretary of Defense and Brzezinski.</p>	
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